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COLUMBIA RACES ABOVE ORDINARY

Columbia, S. C., December 7.—Ideal racing weather and an attractive crowd brought a large crowd out to the Fair Grounds this afternoon. The racing was above the ordinary, several events resulting in close finishes. Three favorites won. Summaries: First race—selling, purse \$150, three-year-olds and up, five furlongs—Elizabeth O. (4 to 1), 5 to 5, 4 to 5) first, Doris Mard (2 to 1, 5 to 5, 2 to 5) second, Lord Denmore (2 to 1, 5 to 5, 4 to 1) third. Time, 1:01 2-5. Second race—selling, purse \$150, three-year-olds and up, five furlongs—Telen Scott (4 to 1, 5 to 5, 2 to 5) first, Sable Blud (even, 2 to 5, out) second, Mason (6 to 1, 5 to 5, 2 to 5) third. Time, 1:00 2-5. Third race—selling, purse \$200, three-year-olds and up, mile and an eighth—Flamingo (5 to 1, even, 2 to 5) first, Kildarkin (6 to 1, 2 to 5, out) second, Spring Frog (5 to 1, 3 to 1, 2 to 2) third. Time, 1:52 2-5. Fourth race—selling, purse \$200, three-year-olds and up, five and a half furlongs—Thirtieth (9 to 5, 11 to 20, 1 to 5) first, Cosgrove (11 to 10, 2 to 5, 1 to 5) second, Merile (5 to 1, even, 1 to 1) third. Time, 1:00 1-5. Fifth race—selling, purse \$200, three-year-olds and up, mile and an eighth—Nadru (7 to 10, 1 to 2, out) first, Haldeman (4 to 1, 6 to 5, 1 to 2) second, Warner Gravel (15 to 1, 5 to 1, 5 to 1) third. Time, 1:52 2-5. Sixth race—selling, purse \$200, three-year-olds and up, five and a half furlongs—Jesup Burn (2 to 1, even, 1 to 1) first, Anavri (12 to 1, 5 to 1, 2 to 1) second, Fort Worth (5 to 1, 2 to 1, 4 to 5) third. Time, 1:07 1-5.

AMUSEMENTS

Academy—"Naughty Marietta"
Hollywood—"Deverly."

Elaborate Production.

Oscar Hammerstein will present "Naughty Marietta" by Victor Herbert and Rida Johnson Young, with the same elaborate cast and production as presented at the Manhattan Opera House and the New York Theatre, New York, for six months last season, at the New Theatre, New York, and Saturday and Sunday matinee.

There is said to be a wealth of beautiful staging, a company of really capable singers, songs of the sort that haunt the memory and clean-cut, inoffensive humor, together with a dramatic plot that holds the attention all the way through.

Attention to the details in the stage settings, an appropriate wardrobe and a body of attractive young women, combine, it is said, to give a thoroughly enjoyable evening of light entertainment.

Some of the song hits of "Naughty Marietta" are: "If I Were Anybody Else," a pretty and varied comic duet; "Naughty Southern Moon," "Live for the Moment," "You're Falling in Love With Some One," "It's Pretty Soft for Simon" and "It Never, Never Can Be Love."

CHIMBORAZO TENNIS CLUB

MEETS SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The Chimborazo Tennis Club will hold its customary meet at Chimborazo Park Saturday afternoon, Aubrey T. Pond will be the challenger for the afternoon, challenging all comers to single or double combat. Members desiring to enter will be at the courts not later than 2:45 o'clock. This will be on account of the regular (old) winter, probably be the last important meet the club will hold this season.

The club will hold its regular meeting at 8:15 o'clock. The club will, at this meeting, consider the advisability of raising the present limitation of membership of thirty persons to fifty. This being the first meeting of the month, none but members may attend.

WILL PLAY FIRST GAME SATURDAY

Yellow Jackets to Open Basketball Season Against Fredericksburg.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Ashland, Va., December 7.—Randolph-Macon will open its basketball season here Saturday, with a game against the Fredericksburg College quint. Since the football season closed the candidates for the team have been working hard, and with so many to pick from among the new men and six lettered men back the Yellow Jackets expect the best team for some years.

While the line-up is not definitely known, the men who probably will play are E. Jordan, captain; Mifflin, manager; Walker, Woodhouse, Greene, C. M. Woodhouse, Hives Brown, Carroll, Tatem, Wray and Ives.

There is a movement on foot among the colleges of the Eastern Interstate League to have a cup given to the winning team in basketball as in baseball and football. An effort is also being made to have an intercollegiate track meet, and if this can be done the colleges will face each other in all branches of sport.

The gymnasium at Randolph-Macon has been enlarged and improved in many ways. The floor space was increased by about twenty feet and a running gallery put in. New apparatus has been installed and good lights suspended from the ceiling. The running gallery will accommodate about 200 spectators, who will be able to get a good view of the floor and not be in the way of the players.

The game Saturday night will be the only one before Christmas, as the winter examinations begin on the 15th and last until the 23d.

PEACE IS KEYNOTE OF TAFT'S MESSAGE

(Continued From First Page.)

modification of the treaty of 1823, in so far as it interferes with the rights of any American citizen.

President Taft assured Congress that Russia recognizes the need of changes in the present practices with regard to passports to American citizens, and that he expects to send in another message after Christmas communicating other facts upon this subject.

The message has this to say about Russia:

"By direction of the State Department, our ambassador to Russia has recently been having a series of conferences with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Russia, with a view of securing a clearer understanding and construction of the treaty of 1823 between Russia and the United States, and the modification of any existing Russian regulations which may be found to interfere in any way with the full recognition of the rights of American citizens under this treaty. I believe that the government of Russia is addressing itself seriously to the need of changing the present practice under the treaty, and that sufficient progress has been made to warrant the continuance of these conferences in the hope that there may soon be removed any justification of the complaints of mutual violation now prevalent in this country."

"I expect that immediately after the Christmas recess I shall be able to make a further communication to Congress on this subject."

YOUTH IS SENTENCED.

Samuel Pruitt Will Serve Term of Eight Years in Penitentiary.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Danville, Va., December 7.—Samuel Pruitt, the fourteen-year-old son of Frank Mahan, also fourteen years old, to-day was sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. The jury was out an hour and a half. Pruitt shot Mahan last June with a revolver as the latter was going to the court mill, firing four shots at him, and three taking effect. Mahan died almost instantly. Pruitt was tried last term of court, but a mistrial resulted.

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Pertinent Comment

By GUS MALBERT.

When the National Board of Arbitration begins to listen to the many grievances of the "maritime" sailors in Virginia League, quite a few things may develop which the public "wants" not of the night, if it may be so dignified, it is a personal affair. Somebody doesn't like somebody else, and they agree to mix it, while the league does very nice things, and the men who compose the board may very likely say that everybody connected should be spanked and sent home to bed without any supper.

The peculiar part of it all is that the three clubs which finished close to the bottom in the pennant race of 1911 are the ones who are kicking against the present regime. It may be purely a coincidence, but Lynchburg in fourth place, Richmond in fifth place, and Danville in last place, are the clubs opposing the election of Williams to succeed himself. Again, it may be only a coincidence, but the Virginia League has gathered all of the data and is ready to appear before the final court of appeals in minor league baseball affairs. If that be true, then both sides are ready. It is indeed the winter of discontent as far as the Virginia League is concerned. While no brief is held in this office for President Williams, it nevertheless seems that he has been subjected to enough criticism to make him willing, nay, anxious, to relinquish the position he now holds.

Prof. Simon Lewis gave another exhibition at the Newport Billiard Parlors last night before a large crowd, which gathered to see him make good. He did. Not only did he play four experts in competition, but in 20 points at 15-ball line, but he showed a new assurance of trick shots which but to blush those of the night previous. In the match game with four opponents the professor won 20 to 22. His exhibition of Chinese pool, using two cues, much as the Chinese use chop sticks, brought forth much applause from the spectators. The last appearance in Richmond of Prof. Lewis will be to-night, when he will begin his performance at 8:30 o'clock at the Newport.

Topsy Harted, one of the best known and best-liked ball players in the big league, will next year don a Toledo uniform in the American Association. For so many years, that not even the oldest inhabitant can remember differently, Topsy has been a member of the Athletics. Year in and year out he has had three of the "Yanigans" when they went South. Probably no man in the game has more friends than Topsy Harted. His passing from the majors to the minors will be regretted. While his days of usefulness are largely in the past, Topsy knows the game from the inside, and his advice is always of value. It is a pity that his release came at his own request, for Connie Mack

Barrow, capt., 172 187 163 522

O. Sutterlin, 150 142 128 420

Fitzgerald, 132 155 157 444

Van Aman, 146 204 141 491

McFarland, 160 155 242 557

Totals, 790 880 853 2,503

Standing of the Clubs.

Remington, 14 7 733

Alcos, 14 7 733

News Leader, 13 5 619

Times-Dispatch, 9 6 600

Virginians, 11 10 523

Cook Pig, 7 11 436

Newports, 9 12 429

Remington vs. Times-Dispatch to-night 8:30.

Merchants' League.

The Richmond Lunch and the Pro Phys Co. Co. of Merchants' Bowling League, played their regular scheduled games at the Newport last night before a large and enthusiastic crowd of interested rosters. Both sides put up an excellent game for new rollers. Another high man, and high total, for the Richmond Lunch aggregation, while Turner carried off the honors for the Pro Phys boys. Captain Barrow, instructed his men from the bench and they were victorious, winning out of the three games. The score followed:

Richmond Lunch Co.

Anderson, 140 265 182 587

Wallace, 105 130 142 377

Hefert, 131 138 143 412

Turner, 144 158 124 426

Garmighe, 130 110 122 362

Totals, 650 731 713 2,091

Pro Phys Co. Co.

Van Dien, capt., 173 144 146 463

Pleury, 119 113 138 380

Dallas, 130 136 120 386

Turner, 181 142 146 469

Sweeney, 160 124 115 399

Totals, 720 685 665 2,070

Time of game, two hours. Umpires, Mr. James and Mr. Magarian.

COMPLETES THE CIRCLE

Council Committee Adopts Many Papers, Resolutions and Adjourns.

The Committee on Grounds and Buildings last night worked a complete circle. It adopted a series of resolutions, and the officers formerly occupied by the City School Board in the City Hall to the City Attorney instructed the Building Inspector to prepare temporary quarters for the school board in the old mansion house belonging to the city, at Twelfth and Capitol Streets, adjoining the State Board of Health office, and recommended an appropriation of \$2,000 to rent the old High School building as a permanent school building and instructed a committee to look up the building and that body has asked for possession by December 15.

Young Purcell Better.

The condition of John Purcell, the ten-year-old son of the Deputy State Food and Dairy Commissioner, who was run over and dangerously injured by a motor truck, was last night said to be slightly improved. He is in the Johnston-Willis Hospital.

L. O. F. Lodge Instituted.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Alexandria, Va., December 7.—Fifty members of Potomac Lodge of Odd-Fellows to-night went to Manassas and instituted a lodge of Odd-Fellows at that place.

CHURCH IS URGED TO DO ITS WORK

In Danger of Becoming Y. M. C.

A.ized—Baptists Meet Next at Goldsboro.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Winston-Salem, N. C., December 7.—The busiest day of the eighty-first session of the Baptist State convention was to-day. The first interest considered was the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage. After the reading of the report of the trustees, several members of the convention spoke in behalf of this institution, in which the entire convention is thoroughly interested. One speaker made the statement that the orphanage is the force which is back of every forward step the Baptists of North Carolina have taken in recent years.

There are 385 children now in the orphanage, and the superintendent stated that almost every day it was necessary for him to refuse requests for receiving other children because of lack of dormitory room. A number of improvements are being made at the orphanage at the present time.

The keynote of the work of North Carolina Baptists is State missions, and the recommendation of the report on State missions submitted to-day that \$50,000 be raised the coming year for this interest was adopted without a dissenting vote.

The address on missions was delivered by W. A. Johnson. He emphasized especially the following points: The mission of Baptists is to lift the whole life of the State into touch with the whole Christ. The task of the State convention regarding State missions is to schools, orphanage and other interests, and to thereby to support them, but make them do the work the convention wants them to do.

The time was when the Baptist denomination had its hand upon all of the country districts of North Carolina, he said, and any preacher was regarded as enough to preach them, but now the country preachers need to know more than the city preacher. Baptist churches must be built where they will be in touch with the State institutions of learning, because the Baptist idea is the biggest idea that can go into State institutions.

"I take pride in the State system of education, because it is a bulwark against Romanism," he continued. "The church must not relegate its work to the Y. M. C. A., and without criticizing the latter, there is danger of our becoming Y. M. C. A.-ized," he said. "It is not a kindling force, but only a diffusing force and not to be taken in the place of the church."

Mr. Johnson urged the building of handsome churches in all of the educational centers of the State.

Livestock, John, corresponding secretary of the State convention, and the leader of State mission work, was presented a gold watch this morning as a token of esteem and love from the missionaries who work under his direction in all parts of the State.

The interest in the State convention after the session was the Biblical conference and secondary schools. A complimentary music recital was given the convention by Salem Female Academy at the close of the afternoon session.

V. A. Forest College and foreign missions were also considered, and upon these two topics several speakers addressed the convention. A committee on time and place submitted a report to the convention at the close of the session this evening, recommending Goldsboro as the place for holding the session of the convention next year. This report recommended L. C. Davis, of Windsor, as the preacher of the introductory sermon for this session, with J. C. Turner, of Greensboro, as alternate.

Pettigrew Wins Cup.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lexington, Va., December 7.—The fall tournament for the championship cup of the Lexington Golf Club has been completed, and S. G. Pettigrew won at the nineteenth hole over Greenlee D. Leitcher. This has been a prolonged and interesting contest. Pettigrew is a handsome piece of workmanship, and cost about \$20. The cup may be played for each fall and spring of each year, and the successful winner for three times will become the absolute possessor of the cup.

ENTER PLEAS OF GUILTY.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Greensboro, N. C., December 7.—In the United States Court here this afternoon Code Lane, Wilburn Nance and Robert Henry pleaded guilty to the indictment for shooting Deputy Collector Robert Henry and killing two horses of revenue officers while searching for blockade still near their home in Wilkes county last August. Judge Boyd released the woman under bond for good behavior, and passed sentence on the men to the Atlanta penitentiary as follows: Code Lane, ten years; Wilburn Nance, five years; Zola Nance, three years. Submission of defendants followed the conclusion of testimony of government witnesses, their attorneys making strong pleas to the court for mercy.

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INCORPORATED

DOCTORS TO MEET NEXT AT NEWBERN

Newport News, Va., December 7.—The sixteenth annual meeting of the Seaboard Medical Association of Virginia and North Carolina adjourned to-day after what was pronounced as one of the most successful conventions in the history of the organization.

Newbern, N. C., was selected as the place for holding the next session in 1912, and officers were chosen as follows:

President, N. M. Gibbs, Newbern, N. C.; First Vice-President, J. E. Rawles, Suffolk; Second Vice-President, H. W. Carter, Washington, N. C.; Third Vice-President, George J. Williams, Newport News; Fourth Vice-President, W. H. Hartison, Creswell, N. C.; Treasurer, Israel Brown, Norfolk; Secretary, Clarence Porter Jones, Newport News, Orange; H. L. Payne, Norfolk.

Aside from the papers on professional topics, interesting addresses were made before the convention this afternoon on "Fraternity Among the Medical Profession," by Dr. J. W. Falvy, of Longview, Texas, and "The Doctor and His Influence," by Dr. Ira M. Hart, of Washington, N. C.

FREIGHT WRECK ON C. & O.

Track Torn Up for Several Hundred Yards

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., December 7.—A freight train was wrecked last night on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad at Glimore Mills, thirty-five miles west of Lynchburg, when the rails were torn up for a distance of 50 yards. More than 200 cross ties were damaged, as well as the engine and several cars. The cause of the accident cannot be ascertained.

Traffic is reported to have been blocked all night. Train No. 34 and 2 last night transferred their passengers around the wreck, the transfer being about a quarter of a mile between the two trains.

Three Committees Meet.

The Committees on Electricity, Cemeteries and Advertising held brief sessions last night for approval of payrolls and bills.

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